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STATEMENT OF FACTS IN SUPPORT OF
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The nonsigning inventor who cannot be found is Mr. Piers Catton whose last known address is 6 Casterbridge Close, Blandford Forum Dorset DT11 7XW, United Kingdom.

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Mr. Catton at his last known e-mail address which requested that he sign the declaration for the above-identified patent application. This e-mail was not answered. Inquiries were made in an effort to find Mr. Catton or determine how to reach him, but these inquiries were unsuccessful. Mr. Catton no longer works for Mahle Filtersysteme GmbH, Pragstrasse 54, 70376 Stuttgart, Germany and left the company without leaving his address.

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